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1. The Oksywie naval shipyard operates on two shifts and employs between 1,500 and 1,800 workers, of which 10 percent are women. These women have been assigned to some of the heaviest jobs in the shipyards, e.g., lathes and machines. Included in this total number of workers is a naval work battalion, composed of men who are not fully trusted because their parents were Volksdeutsche (ethnic Germans) or Eingedeutsche (Germanized Poles) during or after the war.

2. The director of the shipyard is Lieutenant Commodore Zygmunt Jasinski, a prewar naval officer who was attached to the Polish river fleet in Pinsk, East Poland, before the war. His assistant, who is the actual director of the yard, is Commodore (fmu) Kopytow, a Soviet naval officer wearing a Polish uniform.

3. The shipyard is constructing submarine chasers of the so-called Italian type (typ wloski) at the rate of one every five to six weeks. These ships are 35 meters long and are constructed of wood with steel ribs, and their sterns are sharp and vertically cut. Each ship has twin screws and is equipped with two German V-shaped model BMW 12-cylinder engines. In January 1953 the Soviets shipped in some Soviet motors called "B-20's". The armament on these ships consists of the following: two small caliber artillery guns, between 30 and 50 mm., with one of the guns located on the foredeck and the other on the poop; and one heavy machine gun for use against aircraft located amidships; near the captain's bridge and a wooden mast. The shipyard is also constructing some salvage ships (okrety ratownicze) for the navy.

4. In 1952 the shipyard repaired about ten Polish landing craft [redacted]. These craft, which had the capacity to transport about two medium sized tanks and about 50 men, were of American origin and were equipped with "Gray Marine" engines. [redacted] if a ship is expected to remain in the shipyard for a relatively long period of time undergoing repairs, all of the guns are taken off the ship and stored in a special section of the shipyard called "ten" (dziesiatka). The Oksywie shipyard also began the construction of "extraction belts" (sic) (tasmowe wyciagi) and iron boxes for artillery ammunition in

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December 1952. These afore-mentioned articles are sent to the coastal artillery unit located along the Polish coast.

5. As a part of the Six Year Plan, the shipyard will be enlarged by the construction of new buildings and large halls, three slips and one dry dock. A mixed Polish-Soviet commission inspected the shipyard and drew plans to enlarge it.
6. There is a great lack of dwellings for the newly hired shipyard workers who are arriving from different parts of Poland. There is no relief in sight since the many large houses which are being constructed in Gdynia will be first put at the disposal of the Party, and secondly, for Party members and Soviet officers and their families.

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1. Comment. these landing craft could only transport 20 men in addition to the tanks.

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1. Underground storage tanks for liquid fuel and two tanks located above ground. There are a number of motor driven pumps which pump the fuel directly from the railroad tank cars to the storage tanks via underground pipes. The pumps are located in underground shelters.

2. The railroad branch lines which at times have 30 to 50 tank cars on them. [redacted] the storage tanks are able to hold about 80 tank cars or fuel.

3. The warehouses which were appropriated by the navy from the state firm Paged. This is the general area where the shipyard and port will be enlarged.

4. The naval radio station located on the attached sketch according to its relative position to ulica Marchlewskiego.

5. The guard house where all people coming and going to the shipyard are checked.

6. The boiler house of the shipyard.

7. The foundry.

8. The shipyard basin.

9. The usual location of the floating dock.

10. The main entrances to the main shipyard building.

11. The four-story main shipyard building. All electrical supplies for the shipyard are stored in the attic (indicated by dashes).

12. Offices.

13. Section of the pipe shop.

14. The forges.

15. The soldering section.

16. The large lathe and boring section.

17. Offices.

18. Offices of the shipyard director.

19. Offices.

20. Offices on the upper floors. Largest stock room in the shipyard is located on the ground floor.

21. Long corridors located on each floor.

22. The motor hall on the ground and first floor.

23. The locksmith section and the hall where the hulls of ships are constructed on the ground and first floors.

24. The foundry which casts ball bearings (odlewnia lozysk kulkowych) for the ships.

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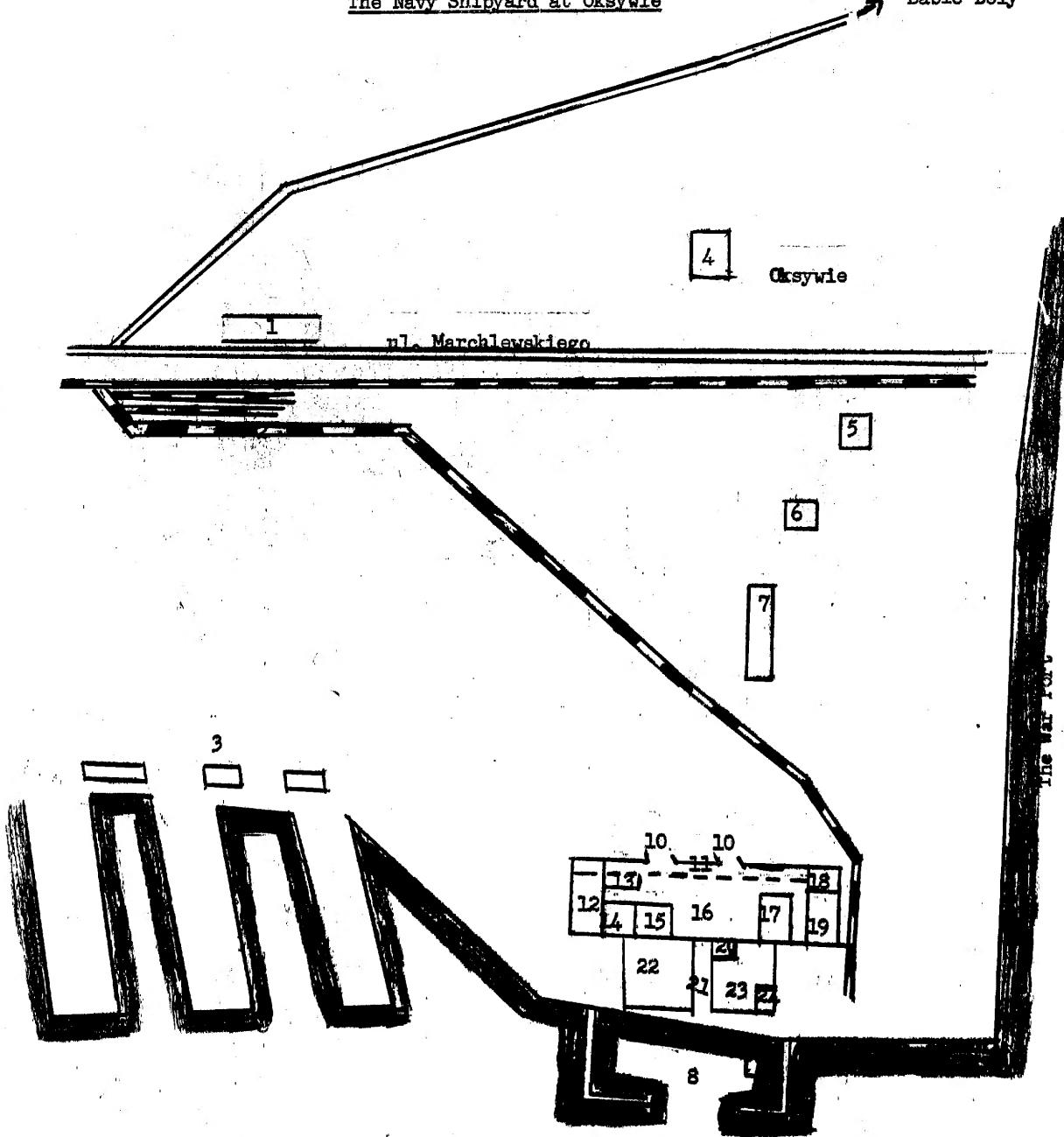
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